

Local Matters.

Just Received! Big lot link cuff buttons, collar buttons, rings, stud buttons, ladies belt buckles, etc. Porter Bros.

Cotton brought 9½ cents yesterday on this market.

Sheet fell for a few minutes at this place yesterday morning.

Porter Bros is the place to buy your fine shoes.

Mr W B Plyler, who has been confined at his home with lagrippe and measles was in town Thursday, the first time in a month.

Have you seen those fine shoes at Porter Bros.

Mr and Mrs R J Mackorell visited Yorkville this week to make arrangements for moving to that place at any early date. Mr M. will engage in the brokerage and commission business there.

Just received at Porter Bros. a lot of men's fine shoes, all styles and shapes.

At the residence of the officiating Notary Public, C A Plyler, on Sunday night, 25th ult., Mr. Hector Starnes, and Miss Hattie Laney, all of Union county, N C, were united in the bonds of matrimony.

When your soul gets wrong take your feet to Porter Bros. and be properly shod.

The second quarterly conference for Lancaster station will be held in the Methodist church immediately after service by Presiding Elder Bays on Friday night, 23d instant. Dr Bays will also preach here the Sunday following, both morning and night, in the Methodist church.

The Yorkville correspondent of The State, says: "Our genial friend Thos F McDow, Esq., is 'pluming his feathers' for the coming race for the solicitorship of the Sixth circuit. If elected, he will make a most worthy successor for our present able and obliging solicitor, J K Henry, Esq., of Chester. Therefore 'watch Tom.'"

Address of Miss Redford

Miss Elizaoeth A Redford of Nashville, Tenn., representing the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist church, will deliver an address in the Methodist church at this place tomorrow night. All the ladies of the town are especially invited.

A Chance to Buy You a Home

Any party or parties desiring to purchase any of the real estate of T M Fitzpatrick & Bro., in the town or county, can get prices and terms by calling on the editor of The Ledger. The Messrs Fitzpatrick have some very desirable farms and valuable improved town property and their being on the market gives men of moderate means a splendid opportunity to purchase a home.

Marriage at Heath Spring.

A quiet home marriage was solemnized at the home of Mrs. Sallie Bruce, the bride's mother, at Heath Spring, at 10:30 o'clock, last Wednesday morning, the contracting parties being Miss Leila Bruce of Heath Spring, and Mr. Ed Truesdel of Camden. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S N Watson of this place in the presence of a few of the relatives and most intimate friends of the parties. Mr. and Mrs. Truesdel left on the South bound train for Camden where they will make their home, taking with them the best wishes of the host of friends of the charming bride.

150 Descendants.

Mrs Susanna Harris, the sprightly old lady who celebrated her 107th birthday at the cotton mill last Sunday, at the request of the editor, has been counting her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren to ascertain the number of descendants she has. She has counted up to 150 but thinks there are more as some few have moved away, and she thinks it probable they may have families by this time. Mrs. Harris is a native of this county. She was a daughter of a Mr Snipes and was raised in the eastern section of the county near Lynchess river.

Death of an Aged Man

Mr Irvin Knight, an aged and respected citizen of the Taxahaw neighborhood, died yesterday morning after a protracted illness. He was about 84 years of age and leaves a large family connection. He was a member of the Baptist church and was prepared and ready when the summons came, expressing a desire to enter upon the sweet rest which awaits all who are faithful to the end. He served in the Confederate war as a guard over the Federal prisoners at Florence. He will be buried at Taxahaw today.

No Increase in the Acreage of Cotton in This County.

Last fall was very favorable for the sowing of small grain and in addition to the usual acreage put in small grain many of our farmers sowed down some of their cotton lands. This fact alone would prevent any increase in the acreage of cotton to be planted this year, as the grain crops are about an average as to stands and condition and no farmer would care to plow up any of his grain and plant the land in cotton. But, even if he should be tempted to do this by the advance in the price of cotton, he could not for the protracted rains have made it impossible for him even to break up the land left for cotton. Our farmers are further behind with their work than in any recent year, some of them not having an acre of cotton land broken yet. If the wet weather continues another week Lancaster county's cotton acreage will be less than an average, and the crop necessarily a late one which an early fall would cut very short.

Secretary Wilson to Be at Tirzah.

The Columbia correspondent of the Charleston Post says that it is not unlikely that the big Alliance encampment at Tirzah this summer will have Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, who is, above all things, an agriculturist, to deliver the main address. Mr Wilson made a good impression on his Southern trip last spring and presented so many forcible ideas about stock raising and tea and tobacco culture in this section that it is believed an address from him will prove very beneficial to the farmers of Upper Carolina. Secretary Wilson has already been approached on the subject, and he will endeavor to accept the invitation when extended.—Rock Hill Herald.

Religious.

The appointments of Rev. C H Clyde for Tradesville circuit will be as follows until further notice: TABERNACLE—2d Sundays at 11 a m; 4th Sundays at 3:30 p m. HOPEWELL—2d Sundays, 3:30 p m; 4th Sundays, 11 a m. BETHEL—1st Sundays, 11 a m; 3d Sundays 3:30 p m. ZION—1st Sundays, 3:30 p m; 3d Sundays, 11 a m.

BEARS THE SIGNATURE OF THE KIND YOU HAVE ALWAYS BOUGHT

THE GANSON STOCK SOLD.

J. M. Heath of Lancaster Opens Store in Yorkville.

Special to The State.

Yorkville, March 14.—The fixtures and stock of goods of the Ganson Dry Goods company was sold last night to the highest bidder by Receiver B N Moore, upon an order from the United States court. The stock had been inventoried at a little over \$17,000 with an upset price of 76 cents on the dollar of cost price fixed on it. A number of prominent business men from various places have been examining the stock and making offers, but the most prominent amongst the bidders was Col Leroy Springs and Mr J Heata of Lancaster. Thos F McDow, Esq., as attorney for J M Heath, purchased the stock at a bid of 79 cents on the dollar. Mr Heath, with his partner, Mr Williams, has taken charge of the store and stock, employing the former clerks of the Ganson company, and will open up for business tomorrow morning. Mr Heath is a man of fine business qualifications, with large capital and intends enlarging the business and keeping everything that customers may call for.

Notice Final Discharge.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that R L Jones, as Administrator of the estate of C C Sower, deceased, has made application to me for a final discharge as such administrator and that the 19th of March, 1900, at 10 o'clock a m, has been fixed by the Probate court for the hearing of such application.

CHAS. D JONES, Judge of Probate.

From 40,000 to 50,000 young men from the rural districts annually go to New York alone. Ten thousand invade Philadelphia. Twenty thousand enter Chicago. They flock into every large city in the United States.

A Policeman First to Violate the Spitting Ordinance.

Oh! how interesting the mayor's court was this week. You remember that spitting ordinance. Well policeman Latta was the first victim. He quietly observed with an eager eye the passers-by to see if any should violate the new law. Presently he indulged himself in the forbidden pleasure and Chief Haile happened up at that moment and arrested him. He was fined \$1. This little incident reminds us forcibly of an old Roman tradition. You know the story, Brutus, the lawmaker and ruler refused to pardon his two sons who had by violation of the law, made themselves liable to the forfeiture of their lives. Camden Messenger.

OFFER PLANNED.

who are interested in high prices for cotton next fall can hear of something to their advantage by sending a postal card at once to THE ADAMS COTTON CO., Charleston, S. C.

S. C. MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The Semi-centennial Meeting of the South Carolina Medical Association will be held in Charleston April 18, 1900. It is proposed to make this event the occasion for a general reunion of all the physicians in the State. Invitations will therefore be sent to every doctor in the State, requesting him to be present. A public reception will be tendered to the physicians by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Charleston. Excursions to Isle of Palms and other entertainments will be offered by the local profession. Dr. Hobart Amory Hare, of Philadelphia, Pa, will deliver the Annual Address. Board in the city can be obtained at \$1 and upwards at the hotels. Reduced rates of fare will be on sale on all roads leading into the city.

W P PORCHER, President.
T P WHALEY, Secretary.
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Seen our fine shirts in the latest styles and colors?

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These goods before they are picked over.

WE HAVE

The best 10c shirt on the market. Will have about the 15th of this month the finest line of Ties ever brought this town.

- AND OUR SHOES -

They will do

2 TIE 2

In latest styles and shapes, and our spring pants are coming in, pretty patterns and all sizes, from 25c a pair up. 11 sizes for boys in knee pants.

THE SECRET

Of a man's pants is his pocket Book, and he will always have money in it if he buys his goods from

PORTER BROS,
THE CHEAP STORE.

- HEATH BANKING & MERCANTILE CO. - - Opening Up Our 7 New Stores -

Which Took Place at Lancaster and Kershaw January 1st, 1900, is an Interesting Event to the People.

Our friends have deluged us with good wishes. All eyes are turned upon us. Storekeepers are worried, not so much because Our New Goods are really cheaper than "old stocks", but because the "dear people" are sure to find it out.

- WE GREET YOU WITH SPECIAL NEW YEAR BARGAINS! -

Our claims to the Lion's Share of your patronage are justified by our experience, and CASH purchases in the markets prior to the recent advances. Our preparations are on an extensive scale. Stocks large, assortment great. New lines to be daily added. Everything being done to make this THE IDEAL TRADING PLACE. Our crowded Stores will testify that our efforts have not been in vain, nor our time thrown away. The cold snap has come and with it

Our Great Clothing Snap.

Men, if you expect to stay on earth for a few years buy some of these suits for you and yours for years to come. Bonar, the New York Hat man, closed out his samples of Men's Hats to us at 50 cents on the Dollar. 1,200 Hats in all.

Our Gigantic Purchases Before the Big Advance

We are in the race, pulling strong stakes for public patronage, and we are going to succeed.

Yours for Business,

- HEATH BANKING & MERCANTILE CO. -

PICKED UP in Philadelphia at Sherff's Sale at 47 cents on the Dollar.
SIX HUNDRED SUITS AND FOUR HUNDRED PAIR PANTS
At Less Than One-Half Price. Think of That!

Of Embroideries and Handkerchiefs—5,000 Handkerchiefs and miles upon miles of New Embroideries at less than ONE-HALF PRICE, await your inspection. You will positively wonder at their cheapness. We intend to do a very large business by selling cheaper than our competitors.

We bought for SPOT cash from a needy manufacturer, (we keep in close touch with them) 126 cases—7,560 pairs of Shoes at a big discount. This is sure to be The Shoe Store of this town. The W. L. Douglas, the H. C. Goodman and all the Good Shoes will be found here.